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PLYMOUTH DISTRICT LIBRARY Wayne County, Michigan

AUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2005

PLYMOUTH DISTRICT LIBRARY For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

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Independent Auditor's Report

February 15, 2006

To the Board of Trustees Plymouth District Library Wayne County, Michigan

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, and each major fund of Plymouth District Library as of and for the year ended December 31, 2005 which collectively comprise the Library's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of Plymouth District Library's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Plymouth District Library as of December 31, 2005, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Board of Trustees Plymouth District Library February 15, 2006 Page 2

The management's discussion and analysis and the defined benefit pension plans trend information are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Plymouth District Library's basic financial statements. The accompanying required supplementary information, as identified in the table of contents, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The required supplementary information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Respectfully,

POST, SMYTHE, LUTZ and ZIEL LLP Certified Public Accountants

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Management's Discussion and Analysis

As management of Plymouth District Library, we offer readers of Plymouth District Library's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of Plymouth District Library for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005.

Financial Highlights

- The assets of Plymouth District Library exceeded its liabilities at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$8,701,966 (net assets). Of this amount, \$5,976,746 (unrestricted net assets) may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, Plymouth District Library's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$6,058,191, an increase of \$843,678 in comparison with the prior year. Nearly all of this total amount, \$6,025,784 is available for spending at the government's discretion (unreserved fund balance).
- At the end of the current fiscal year, unreserved fund balance for the general fund was \$6,025,784.
- Plymouth District Library's total debt decreased by \$462,668 (8 percent) during the current fiscal year.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to Plymouth District Library's basic financial statements. Plymouth District Library's basic financial statements comprise three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Government-wide financial statements. The *government-wide financial statements* are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of Plymouth District Library's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The *statement of net assets* presents information on all of Plymouth District Library's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as *net assets*. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of Plymouth District Library is improving or deteriorating.

The *statement of activities* presents information showing how the government's net assets changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net assets are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, *regardless of the timing of related cash flows*. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items

that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave).

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of Plymouth District Library that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (*governmental activities*) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (*business-type activities*). The governmental activities of Plymouth District Library are limited to operating the Library. The District Library has no business-type activities.

The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 9 and 10 of this report.

Fund financial statements. A *fund* is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. Plymouth District Library, like other state and local governments, used fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of Plymouth District Library can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and fiduciary funds.

Governmental funds. Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for *governmental funds* with similar information presented for *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between *governmental funds* and *governmental activities*.

Plymouth District Library maintains two individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the General Fund and Debt Service Fund which are considered to be major funds.

Plymouth District Library adopts an annual appropriated budget for its general fund, and a budgetary comparison statement has been provided to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

Fiduciary funds. Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are *not* reflected in the government-wide financial statement because the resources of those funds are *not* available to support Plymouth District Library's own programs. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is much like that used for proprietary funds.

The basic fiduciary fund financial statements can be found on pages 14 and 15 of this report.

Notes to the financial statements. The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 16-30 of this report.

Government-wide Financial Analysis

As noted earlier, net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of Plymouth District Library, assets exceeded liabilities by \$8,701,966 at the close of the most recent fiscal year.

	Governmental				
	2005	2004			
Current and Other Assets	\$ 6,638,456	\$ 6,869,557			
Capital Assets	7,887,813	8,155,997			
Total Assets	14,526,269	15,025,554			
Long-term Liabilities	5,195,000	5,706,706			
Other Liabilities	629,303	1,655,044			
Total Liabilities	5,824,303	7,361,750			
Net Assets:					
Invested in Capital Assets					
net of related debt	2,692,813	2,449,291			
Restricted	32,407	17,184			
Unrestricted	5,976,746	5,197,329			
Total Net Assets	\$ 8,701,966	\$ 7,663,804			

A significant portion of Plymouth District Library's net assets (31 percent) reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, and equipment), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that are still outstanding. Plymouth District Library used these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are *not* available for future spending. Although Plymouth District Library's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

A portion of Plymouth District Library's net assets (.4%) represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining, and largest portion of *unrestricted net assets* (\$5,976,746) may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

At the end of the current fiscal year, Plymouth District Library is able to report positive balances in all three categories of net assets. The same situation held true for the prior fiscal year.

The government's net assets increased by \$1,038,162 during the current fiscal year as shown in the table below:

	Governmental Activities				
	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>			
Program Revenues:					
Charges for Services	\$ 129,771	\$ 103,043			
Operating Grants & Contributions	311,396	148,928			
Capital Grants & Contributions					
General Revenues:					
Property Taxes	3,842,099	3,835,251			
Unrestricted Investment Earnings	208,134	64,613			
Total Revenues	4,491,400	4,151,835			
Program Expenses					
General Government					
Public Library	3,249,044	3,347,627			
Interest on Long-Term Debt	204,194	322,317			
Total Expenses	3,453,238	3,669,944			
Change in Net Assets	\$ 1,038,162	\$ 481,891			

Governmental activities. Governmental activities increased Plymouth District Library's net assets by \$843,678 due to the following:

 Operating revenues exceed normal operating expenses. The District Library Board adopted the 2005 budget anticipating operating surpluses, which have been designated for major renovations to the building. The accumulated total of these designated funds is \$2,479,155 at December 31, 2005.

Financial Analysis of the Government's Funds

As noted earlier, Plymouth District Library used fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental funds. The focus of Plymouth District Library's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing Plymouth District Library's financing requirements. In particular, unreserved fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As of the end of the current fiscal year, Plymouth District Library's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$6,058,191, an increase of \$843,678 in comparison with the prior year. Nearly all of this total amount (\$6,025,784) constitutes *unreserved fund balance*, which is available for spending at the government's discretion. The remainder of fund balance is *reserved* to indicate that it is not available for new spending because it has already been committed to pay debt service (\$25,578) and restricted gifts (\$6,829).

The general fund is the operating fund of Plymouth District Library. At the end of the current fiscal year, unreserved fund balance of the general fund was \$6,025,784 and the total fund balance was \$6,032,613.

Operating results for the governmental funds were discussed earlier in the "Governmental Activities" section.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

Differences between the original budget and the final amended budget were \$136,650, and represented minor changes to the original spending plan, and budgeting for the transfers to the VEBA (\$47,000) earlier.

Capital Asset and Debt Administration

Capital assets. Plymouth District Library's investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of December 31, 2005, amounted to \$7,887,813 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings, building improvements, and equipment. No major capital asset events occurred during the current fiscal year.

Details to the District's capital assets are continued in the notes to the financial statements.

Long-term debt. At the end of the current fiscal year, Plymouth District Library had total long term debt outstanding of \$5,244,038 all of which comprises debt backed by the full faith and credit of the Library.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates

While unemployment in the State of Michigan remains high, and the State's budget is under pressure, the Library expects to collect similar revenues from the State of Michigan. These factors were considered in preparing Plymouth District Library's budget for the 2006 fiscal year.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of Plymouth District Library's finances for all those with an interest in the Library's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Plymouth District Library Director.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

PLYMOUTH DISTRICT LIBRARY Statement of Net Assets December 31, 2005

	Governmental Activities
ASSETS Cash and Cash Equivalents Due from Other Governmental Units	\$ 6,423,908 129,709
Prepaid Expenditures Capital Assets (Net of Accumulated Depreciation)	84,839 7,887,813
Total Assets	14,526,269
<u>LIABILITIES</u>	
Accounts Payable	64,456
Accrued Liabilities	201,244
Deferred Revenue	363,603
Noncurrent Liabilities:	
Due within one year	455,000
Due in more than one year	4,740,000
Total Liabilities	5,824,303
NET ASSETS	
Invested in Capital Assets, net of related debt Restricted for:	2,692,813
Debt Service	25,578
Other	6,829
Unrestricted	5,976,746
Total Net Assets	\$ 8,701,966

Statement of Activities

For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

				Prog	ram	Revenues		Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in
		Expenses		Charges for Services		Operating Grants and Contributions		Net Assets Governmental Activities
Functions/Programs Primary Government:	_				-			
Governmental Activities:								
Public Library	\$	3,249,044	\$	129,771	\$	311,396	\$	(2,807,877)
Interest on Long-Term Debt	_	204,194		-		-		(204,194)
Total Governmental Activities	\$	3,453,238	\$	129,771	\$	311,396		(3,012,071)
				General Reven				0.040.000
				Property Tax		to out Formings		3,842,099
						stment Earnings		208,134
				rotal Gene	erai r	Revenues and Transfe	218	4,050,233
				Change in Net	Asse	ets		1,038,162
				Net Assets - Be	eginr	ing		7,663,804
				Net Assets - Er	nding		\$	8,701,966

Balance Sheet Governmental Funds December 31, 2005

<u>ASSETS</u>		General Fund	<u> </u>	Debt Service Fund	 Total Governmental Funds
Cash and Cash Equivalents Due from Other Funds Due from Other Governmental Units Prepaid Expenditures	\$	6,362,161 32,169 129,709 84,839	\$	61,747 - - -	\$ 6,423,908 32,169 129,709 84,839
Total Assets	\$	6,608,878	\$	61,747	\$ 6,670,625
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE					
Liabilities: Accounts Payable Accrued and Other Liabilities Due to Other Funds Deferred Revenue Total Liabilities	\$	64,456 148,206 - 363,603 576,265	\$	4,000 32,169 - 36,169	\$ 64,456 152,206 32,169 363,603 612,434
Fund Balances: Reserved for: Debt Service Restricted Gifts Unreserved for: Capital Projects Major Building Renovation Facility Technology Undesignated Total Fund Balances Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$	6,829 531,453 2,479,155 510,400 100,000 2,404,776 6,032,613 6,608,878	\$	25,578 - - - - - 25,578 61,747	 25,578 6,829 531,453 2,479,155 510,400 100,000 2,404,776 6,058,191
Amounts reported for governmental activate different because: Capital Assets used in governmental activate therefore, are not reported in the funds Long-term liabilities, including bonds payourrent period and therefore are not reported.	tivities yable,	are not financial	res	ources and,	7,887,813 (5,244,038)
Net Assets of Governmental Activities					\$ 8,701,966

<u>Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances</u> <u>Governmental Funds</u>

For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

	General Fund		Debt Service Fund		Total Governmental Funds
Revenues		•		•	
Property Taxes	\$ 3,178,450	\$	663,649	\$	3,842,099
State and Federal Shared Revenues	242,081		-		242,081
Penal Fines	43,489		-		43,489
Book Fines and Rentals	89,560		-		89,560
Interest	197,091		11,043		208,134
Other	63,141		2,896		66,037
Total Revenues	3,813,812		677,588		4,491,400
Expenditures Current:	0.040.000				0.040.000
Public Library	2,813,269		-		2,813,269
Debt Service:			405.000		405.000
Principal	-		465,000		465,000
Interest and Other Charges	404.407		204,194		204,194
Capital Outlay	124,427				124,427
Total Expenditures	2,937,696	•	669,194	•	3,606,890
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues					
Over Expenditures	876,116	•	8,394	•	884,510
Other Financing Sources (Uses)					
Transfer to VEBA	(40,832)				(40,832)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(40,832)		-		(40,832)
Net Change in Fund Balances	835,284		8,394		843,678
Fund Balances - Beginning	5,197,329	•	17,184	•	5,214,513
Fund Balances - Ending	\$ 6,032,613	\$	25,578	\$	6,058,191

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities (page 10) are different because:

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds (page 12) \$ 843,678

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation exceeded capital outlays in the current period.

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The issuance of long-term debt (e.g. bonds, leases) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net assets. Also, governmental funds report the effect of issuance costs, premiums, discounts, and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities. This amount is the net effect of these differences in the treatment of long-term debt and related items.

462,668

Change in net assets in governmental activities (page 10)

\$ 1,038,162

<u>Statement of Postemployment Healthcare Plan Net Assets-VEBA Trust</u> <u>December 31, 2005</u>

ASSETS Cash and Cash Equivalents Investments, at Fair Value:	\$ 18,252
Common Stock Corporate Bonds	295,985 162,447
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Total Assets	\$ 476,684
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
Liabilities: Accounts Payable	\$
Net Assets: Held in Trust for Post Employment Healthcare Benefits	476,684
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 476,684

<u>Statement of Changes in Postemployment Healthcare Plan Net Assets-VEBA Trust</u> <u>For the Year Ended December 31, 2005</u>

Additions:		
Interest and Dividends	\$	12,524
Employer Contributions		40,832
Unrealized Appreciation on Securities		9,537
Total Additions	•	62,893
<u>Deductions:</u>		
Administrative Expenses		6,769
Net Increase in Plan Assets		56,124
Net Assets - Beginning of Year		420,560
Net Assets - End of Year	\$	476,684

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Reporting Entity

The District Library was established by the approval of the voters of Plymouth Township and the City of Plymouth in a special election held September 10, 1985. The District Library was formed under the authority of Public Act 164, of 1955. The District Library provides public library services to the residents of the Community.

In accordance with the provisions of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board the financial statements of the Plymouth District Library contain all the Library's funds and authorities for which the Library is financially accountable and the nature and significance of their relationship with the Library are such that exclusion would cause the Library's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

B. Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e. the statement of net assets and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the primary government and its component units. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. *Direct expenses* are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. *Program revenues* include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as *general revenues*.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and fiduciary fund, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the *economic* resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the fiduciary fund financial statements. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation - Continued

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial* resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

Property taxes, and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the Library.

Governmental Funds

The Library reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the government's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

The Debt Service Fund accounts for the resources accumulated and payments made for principal and interest on long-term debt of governmental funds.

The Library has no non major funds.

Fiduciary Fund

Fiduciary Funds account for assets held by the government in a trustee capacity or as an agent on behalf of others. Fiduciary funds include the following fund type:

VEBA Trust Fund-accounts for the activities of the employee benefit plan that accumulates resources for certain post employment benefit payments to qualified employees.

Restricted Resources

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the government's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as needed.

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation – Continued

Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

D. Assets, Liabilities and Net Assets or Equity

1. Deposits and Investments

The Library's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits and short term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition. State statutes authorize the Library to invest in obligations of the U.S. Treasury, commercial paper of certain investment grades, and deposits of Michigan commercial banks.

2. Receivables and Payables

Activity between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as "due to/from other funds" (i.e. the current portion of interfund loans) or "advances to/from other funds" (i.e. non-current portion of interfund loans) .

All trade and property tax receivables are shown net of allowances for uncollectible accounts, which are recorded at \$-0- at December 31, 2005.

3. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property and equipment, are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized. Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed.

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

D. Assets, Liabilities and Net Assets or Equity - Continued

3. Capital Assets - Continued

Property and equipment of the Plymouth District Library are depreciated using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Years</u>
Buildings	15-30
Equipment	3-20

4. Compensated Absences

The District Library Board amended the employee manual during 2002 to allow full and part time employees to accumulate specific amounts of vacation time, under terms and conditions set by the policy manual. In accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 16, accumulated unpaid vacation, sick pay and other employee benefit amounts are accrued when incurred in the government-wide financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in governmental funds only when they have matured or come due for payment. The total liability is recorded in the Statement of Net Assets. Management has determined that the total liability at December 31, 2005 is \$49,038.

5. Long-term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities. Bond premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount. Bond issuance costs are reported as deferred charges and amortized over the term of the related debt.

Long-term debt is recognized as a liability of a governmental fund when due. For other long-term obligations, only that portion expected to be financed from expendable available financial resources is reported as a fund liability of a governmental fund. The remaining portion of such obligations is reported in the Statement of Net Assets.

6. Fund Equity

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report reservations of fund balance for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for a specific purpose. Designations of fund balance represent tentative management plans that are subject to change.

II. RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

A. Explanation of Certain Differences Between the Governmental Fund Balance Sheet And the Statement of Net Assets

The governmental fund balance sheet includes a reconciliation between *fund* balance - total governmental funds and net assets - governmental activities as reported in the government-wide statement of net assets. One element of that reconciliation explains that "long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds." The details of this \$5,244,308 difference are as follows:

General Obligation Bonds Payable	\$5,195,000
Compensated Absences Payable	49,308
	<u>\$5,244,308</u>

B. Explanation of Certain Differences Between the Governmental Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances and the Government-wide Statement of Activities

The governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances includes a reconciliation between *net changes in fund balances-total governmental funds* and *changes in net assets of governmental activities* as reported in the government-wide statement of activities. One element of that reconciliation explains that "governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense." The details of this \$(268,184) difference are as follows:

Capital Outlay Expenditures	\$ 124,427
Less: Capitalization Below Fixed	
Asset Capitalization Threshold	(28,767)
Less: Depreciation Expense	(363,844)
	<u>\$(268,184</u>)

Another element of that reconciliation states that "the issuance of long-term debt (e.g., bonds, leases) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net assets. Also, governmental funds report the effect of issuance costs, premiums, discounts, and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities." The details of this \$462,668 difference are as follows:

Principal Repayments	\$465,000
Compensated Absences Increase	<u>(2,332</u>)
	<u>\$462,668</u>

III. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

A. Budgetary Information

The Library is legally subject to the budgetary control requirements of the State of Michigan P.A. 621 of 1978 (Uniform Budgeting Act). The following is a summary of the requirements of this act:

- a. Budgets must be adopted for the General Fund.
- b. Budgets must be balanced.
- c. Budgets must be amended as necessary.
- d. Public hearings must be held prior to adoption.
- e. Expenditures cannot exceed budget appropriations.
- f. Expenditures must be authorized by a budget appropriation prior to being incurred.

The Library follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in these financial statements:

- 1. Prior to December 1 the Library Director submits to the District Library Board the proposed operating budgets for the fiscal year commencing the following January 1. The operating budgets include proposed expenditures and the means of financing them, for the General Fund.
- 2. Public hearings are conducted at the Library to obtain taxpayer comments.
- 3. Prior to December 31, the budgets are legally enacted at the activity level for the General Fund.
- 4. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for all budgetary funds.
- 5. Budget appropriations lapse at year end.
- 6. The Library does not employ encumbrance accounting as an extension of formal budgetary integration in the governmental funds.
- 7. Budgeted amounts are reported as originally adopted, or as amended by the District Library Board.
- 8. In 2005, budget amendments were made and are reflected in the financial statements.

B. Compliance with P.A. 621 of 1978

1. Deficit Fund Balance

The Library has no funds with accumulated fund balance deficits.

2. Excess of Expenditures Over Appropriations in Budgetary Funds

During the year ended December 31, 2005, the Library did not incur expenditures in excess of the amounts appropriated.

IV. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS

A. Deposits and Investments

Under State law the Library is permitted to make deposits and invest in the accounts of federally insured banks, credit unions, and savings and loan associations that have offices in Michigan. The Library is allowed to invest in bonds, securities, and other direct obligations of the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States; repurchase agreements; bankers' acceptances of United States banks; commercial paper rated within the two highest classifications, which mature not more than 270 days after the date of purchase; obligations of the State of Michigan or its political subdivisions, which are rated as investment grade; and mutual funds composed of investment vehicles that are legal for direct investment by local units of government in Michigan.

The Voluntary Employee Benefits Trust Fund is also authorized by Michigan law to invest in certain reverse repurchase agreements, stocks, diversified investment companies, annuity investment contracts, real estate leased to public entities, mortgages, real estate (if the trust fund's assets exceed \$250 million), debt, or equity of certain small businesses, certain state and local government obligations, and certain other specified investment vehicles.

The Library's cash and investments are subject to several types of risk, which are detailed below:

Custodial Credit Risk of Bank Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Library's deposits may not be recovered. The Library does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. As of December 31, 2005, the Library's book balance of its deposits was \$6,440,765; the total book balance was \$6,442,160, due to \$1,395 in cash on hand. The bank balance was \$6,492,932 which was exposed to custodial credit risk, as follows:

	Bank
	<u>Balance</u>
Insured by F.D.I.C	\$ 400,000
Uninsured and Uncollateralized	6,092,932
Total	<u>\$6,492,932</u>

A reconciliation of cash to the accompanying financial statement follows:

Statement of Net Assets:	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$6,423,908
Fiduciary Fund:	
Cash	<u> 18,252</u>
Total	<u>\$6,442,160</u>

IV. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS - Continued

A. Deposits and Investments - Continued

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the value of investments will decrease as a result of a rise in interest rates. The Library's investment policy does not restrict investment maturities, other than commercial paper which can only be purchased with a 270-day maturity. At year end, the average maturities of investments are as follows:

Investment	<u>Fair Value</u>	Weighted Average Maturity
VEBA Investments:		
Fixed Income:		
Schwab Total Bond Market Mutual Fund	\$79,196	5.4 Years
Vanguard Intermediate Term U.S. Treasury Mutual Fund	\$83,251	6.6 Years

Credit Risk

State law limits investments in commercial paper to the top two ratings issued by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations. The Library has no investment policy that would further limit its investment choices. As of year end, the credit quality ratings of debt securities (other than the U.S. government) are as follows:

Investment	Fair Value	Rating	Rating Organization
VEBA Investments:			
Fixed Income:			
Schwab Total Bond Market Mutual Fund	\$79,196	See below	S&P
49.18% U.S. Government 20.45% AAA 30.37 BBB or below			
Vanguard Intermediate Term U.S. Treasury Mutual Fund	\$83,251	AAA	S&P

IV. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS - Continued

A. Deposits and Investments - Continued

Concentration of Credit Risk

The Library places no limit on the amount the Library may invest in any one issuer. The Library has more than 5 percent of its investments in the following:

VEBA Investments:

Schwab Total Bond Market Mutual Fund	17%
Vanguard Intermediate Term U.S. Treasury Mutual Fund	17%
Schwab International Ind. Mutual Fund	11%
Vanguard Small Cap Mutual Fund	10%
Vanguard 500 Index Mutual Fund	41%

Custodial Credit Risk of Investments

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Library will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The Library does not have a policy for custodial credit risk. At year end, the following investment securities were uninsured and unregistered, with securities held by the counterparty or by its trust department or agent but not in the Library's name.

Type of Investment	Carrying Value	How Held
VEBA Investments:		
Fixed Income Mutual Funds	\$162,447	Counterparty
Common Stock Mutual Funds	\$295,985	Counterparty

IV. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS - Continued

B. Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2005 was as follows:

Governmental Activities:		Beginning Balance	Additions	Deletions	Ending Balance
Capital Assets, not depreciate	ed:				
Land	\$	765,210	\$ - \$	\$	765,210
Capital Assets, being depreci	iate	d:			
Building and Improvements		7,974,083	-	-	7,974,083
Equipment		493,437	95,660	(76,999)	512,098
Furniture and Fixtures		878,205	-	-	878,205
	•	9,345,725	95,660	(76,999)	9,364,386
Less: Accumulated Depreciat	tion	:			
Building and Improvements		1,107,447	170,378	(76,999)	1,200,826
Equipment		316,807	105,645	-	422,452
Furniture and Fixtures		530,684	87,821	-	618,505
	•	1,954,938	363,844	(76,999)	2,241,783
Governmental Activities	•				
Capital Assets, net	\$	8,155,997	\$ (268,184) \$	- \$	7,887,813

Depreciated expense was charged to functions of the Library as follows:

Public Library \$ 363,844

C. Interfund Receivables and Payable

The correction of interfund balance as of December 31, 2005 is as follows:

Receivable FundPayable FundAmountGeneral FundDebt Service Fund\$32,169

The amounts represent unsettled interfund activity arising during the course of the year.

IV. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS - Continued

D. Long-Term Debt

The following is a summary of long-term debt transactions of the Library for the year ended December 31, 2005:

	Balance				Balance		Balance
	January 1,	_	Additions	Reductions	December 31	,	Within 1 Year
Gov. Activities:							
G.O. Bonds	\$ 5,660,000	\$	-	\$ 465,000	\$ 5,195,000	\$	455,000
Comp. Absences	46,706		2,332	-	49,038		
	\$ 5,706,706	\$	2,332	\$ 465,000	\$ 5,244,038	\$	455,000

The following is a summary of general obligation debt outstanding (excluding compensated absences) of the Library as of December 31, 2005:

	Number of	Interest	Maturing		Principal
	Issues	Rate	Through		Outstanding
Governmental Activities:				•	_
General Obligation Bonds	1	2.00%-4.75%	2016	\$	5,195,000

The annual debt service requirements to maturity for debt outstanding as of December 31, 2005 are as follows:

	Governmental Activities					
Year Ended	Principal	Interest				
2006	\$ 455,000	\$ 196,350				
2007	465,000	184,975				
2008	475,000	172,188				
2009	475,000	157,938				
2010	475,000	142,500				
2011-2015	2,375,000	432,848				
2016	475,000	22,562				
	\$ 5,195,000	\$ 1,309,361				

IV. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS - Continued

E. Property Taxes

Property taxes are assessed as of each December 31. The Library tax levy is billed on July 1 of the following year, and payable in eight installments through February. Taxes are considered delinquent on March 1, at which time the applicable property is subject to lien and penalty and interest is assessed. The maximum authorized operating levy for the Library is as follows:

			Maximum	
	Source of	Original	Authorization	Amount
<u>Type</u>	<u>Authorization</u>	<u>Authorization</u>	After "Roll Back"	Levied
Operating	Vote: 11-85	.8000	.6422	.6422
Operating	Vote: 11-87	.4000	.3325	.3325
Operating	Vote: 11-94	.5000	.4909	4909
	Total			1.4656
Debt	Vote: 11-94	-	-	3122
				<u>1.7778</u>

V. OTHER INFORMATION

A. Employee Retirement Systems and Plans

1. Municipal Employees Retirement System Defined Benefit Plan

a. Plan Description

The Plymouth District Library participates in the Municipal Employees Retirement System (MERS), a multiple employer state-wide, public employee defined benefit pension plan created under Public Act 135 of 1945, and now operates under Public Act 220 of 1996, and the MERS Plan Document as revised. MERS was established to provide retirement, survivor and disability benefits on a voluntary basis to the State of Michigan's local government employees. Act No. 427 of the Public Acts of 1984, as amended, establishes and amends the benefits provisions of the participants in MERS. The Municipal Employees Retirement System of Michigan issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for MERS. That report may be obtained by writing to the Municipal Employees Retirement System of Michigan, 447 N. Canal Road, Lansing, Michigan 48917 or by calling (800) 767-6377.

V. OTHER INFORMATION - Continued

- A. Employee Retirement Systems and Plans Continued
 - 1. Municipal Employees Retirement System Defined Benefit Plan Continued

b. Funding Policy

The plan adopted by the District Library Board requires no member contributions. The Library is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate; the rate for 2005 was 8.99%. The contribution requirements of plan members and the Library are established and may be amended by the Library, depending on the MERS contribution program adopted by the Library.

c. Annual Pension Costs

For fiscal year 2005, the Library's annual pension cost of \$65,533 for MERS was equal to the Library's required and actual contributions. The required contribution was determined as part of the December 31, 2004 actuarial valuation using the entry age actuarial cost method. The actuarial assumptions included (a) a rate of return on the investment of present and future assets of 8.0% and (b) projected salary increases of 4.5% per year compounded annually, attributable to inflation. The actuarial value of MERS assets was determined on the basis of an evaluation method that assumes the funds earn the expected rate of return and adjustments to reflect market value. Unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities, if any, were amortized as a level percent of payroll over a period of 30 years.

Three-Year Trend Information

Fiscal Year		Percentage	
Ended	Annual Pension	of APC	Net Pension
<u>Dec. 31</u>	Costs (APC)	Contribution	Obligation
2003	\$ 69,850	100%	\$ -
2004	103,716	100%	-
2005	65,533	100%	-

2. Voluntary Employees Beneficiary Association (VEBA)

The Plymouth District Library Voluntary Employees Beneficiary Association (VEBA; the "Plan") is a single-employer defined benefit post employment healthcare plan established by Plymouth District Library to provide medical and healthcare benefits for retirees and their beneficiaries. Eligible participants include any retirees who receive pension benefits under the Plymouth District Library's pension plans. Plan provisions are established and may be amended by the Plymouth District Library Board of Trustees.

V. OTHER INFORMATION - Continued

A. Employee Retirement Systems and Plans - Continued

2. Voluntary Employees Beneficiary Association (VEBA) - Continued The Plan is funded by a trust agreement established pursuant to Section 501(c)(9) of the Internal Revenue Code which allows for the formation of a VEBA.

Subject to certain age and length of service requirements, eligible participants receive the same medical insurance coverage under the Plan as was in effect at the time of their employment. At such time that participants become Medicare eligible, the benefits under the Plan change to Medicare Supplemental coverage.

Employer contributions to fund the Plan were based on an actuarial valuation and totaled \$40,832 for the Plan year 2005. Although an actuarial valuation of the Plan was completed during 2002, the Plymouth District Library has determined that it will establish an annual employer contribution rate using the actuarial valuation as a reference, but not as a definitive requirement.

B. Risk Management

The Library is a member of the Michigan Municipal Liability and Property Pool for its general liability coverage and a member of the Michigan Municipal Workers Compensation Fund for its workers compensation coverage. Both pools are sponsored by the Michigan Municipal League. The Library pays annual premiums to the pools. The pools are self-sustaining through member premiums, and each carries reinsurance through commercial companies for claims in excess of the pool loss reserve fund.

In the event that a single loss should exceed the amount of protection afforded by the pool loss reserve fund, reinsurance, or other insurance carried by the pools, or in the event that a series of losses should deplete or exhaust the loss reserve fund and reinsurance, the payment of valid losses shall be the obligation of the individual member or members of the respective pool against whom the claim was made.

No such event has occurred with the Library and the pools to which it belongs in any of the past three fiscal years.

C. Property Tax Litigation

District Library taxpayers are in litigation over tax assessments. Utility companies who have appealed tax assessments for 1997-2003 claiming that the State Tax Commission revised depreciation tables adopted in 1999 had a retroactive

V. OTHER INFORMATION - Continued

C. Property Tax Litigation - Continued

effect. Also, other cases have been litigated, which the District Library has received notification that the taxpayer(s) have prevailed. While the ultimate outcome of these cases cannot be determined, management has concluded (based on information provided by local assessors) that a recognition of losses are likely in future years. While the exact amount of this loss is not known, a reasonable estimate based on information currently available is approximately \$121,000.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance

Budget and Actual

General Fund

For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

		General Fund						
	-	Original Budget		Final Budget	_	Actual		Variance- Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues:	•	0.404.000	•	0.404.000	•	0.470.450	•	(5.550)
Property Taxes	\$	3,184,000	\$	3,184,000	\$	3,178,450	\$	(5,550)
State and Federal Shared Revenues		141,000		144,000		242,081		98,081
Penal Fines		45,000		43,000		43,489		489
Book Fines and Rentals		84,100		86,650		89,560		2,910
Interest		46,000		190,000		197,091		7,091
Other	_	18,000	_	54,100	_	63,141		9,041
Total Revenues	-	3,518,100	-	3,701,750	_	3,813,812	į	112,062
Expenditures:								
Salaries		1,427,000		1,410,000		1,402,975		7,025
Payroll Taxes and		, ,		, ,		, ,		•
Fringe Benefits		315,600		276,000		279,116		(3,116)
Books and Supplies		597,000		592,000		561,970		30,030
Contractual Services		214,100		270,000		265,026		4,974
Telephone and Utilities		153,000		151,000		152,380		(1,380)
Insurance		45,100		41,000		40,803		` 197 [°]
Repairs and Maintenance		25,000		25,000		20,324		4,676
Capital Outlay		640,500		787,655		124,427		663,228
Other		100,800		102,095		90,675		11,420
Total Expenditures	-	3,518,100	_	3,654,750	_	2,937,696	,	717,054
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues								
Over Expenditures	_	-	_	47,000	_	876,116		829,116
Other Financing Uses:								
Transfer to VEBA		_		(47,000)		(40,832)		6,168
Total Other Financing Uses	-		_	(47,000)	_	(40,832)	•	6,168
Total Other I maricing Uses	-		-	(47,000)	-	(40,032)	•	0,100
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	\$	-	\$ _	_		835,284	\$	835,284
Fund Balance, January 1					_	5,197,329		
Fund Balance, December 31					\$	6,032,613		

Required Supplementary Information – (Unaudited) Defined Benefit Pension Plans – Trend Information For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

<u>Municipal Employees Retirement System</u> <u>Schedule of Funding Progress</u>

Schedule of Funding Progress						
Actuarial	Actuarial	Actuarial	Underfunded			UAAL as a
Valuation	Value of	Accrued	AAL	Funded	Covered	Percent of
<u>Date</u>	Assets	Liability (AAL)	(UAAL)	Ratio	Payroll	Covered Payroll
12/31/97	\$ 508,215	\$543,940	\$ 35,725	93%	\$341,801	10%
12/31/98	613,352	711,420	98,068	86	410,810	24
12/31/99	742,825	835,620	92,795	89	494,202	19
12/31/00	871,550	1,011,700	140,150	86	541,369	26
12/31/01	1,005,556	1,096,922	91,366	92	575,257	16
12/31/02	1,116,601	1,435,116	318,515	78	685,483	46
12/31/03	1,749,498	1,620,507	(128,991)	108	647,206	-
12/31/04	2,083,266	1,830,348	(252,918)	114	683,279	-

The information presented above was determined as part of the actuarial valuations at the dates indicated. Additional information as of December 31, 2004, the latest actual valuation, follows:

Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal cost
Amortization method	Level percent
Remaining amortization period	30 years
Asset valuation method	5-year smoothed market
Actuarial assumptions:	
Investment rate of return	8%
Projected salary increases	
Includes inflation at 4.5%	4.50-8.66%
Cost of living adjustments	None

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February 15, 2006

Board of Trustees Plymouth District Library Wayne County, Michigan

Our audit of the financial statements of Plymouth District Library for the year ended December 31, 2005 has been completed and was conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards which require that we determine that existing internal controls, accounting procedures and accounting records are adequate to allow us to express an opinion on the financial statements of the District Library. The scope of our audit is not intended to be a detailed review of all systems and procedures; therefore, this report should not be considered all inclusive.

Property Tax Settlement

During our audit, we found that the amounts due to the Library from the Township for the 2004 tax roll were not fully paid. The amounts due to the Library are between \$20,000-\$30,000. The Township Treasurer is investigating the matter, but it appears that payments due to the Library were sent to another taxing authority in error. The Library should receive appropriate documentation of settlement payments from the Township prior to final settlement.

Internal Control Matters

To further improve internal control and cash flow, we suggest the following:

- Consider "positive pay" which is a service offered by your bank which records
 pertinent information about each check such as the amount, the check
 number, bank information and date, and then transmits it to the bank to be
 verified, before the check can be paid. This will help insure that only
 authorized payments are paid by the bank.
- Consider establishing separate accounts payable checking accounts and payroll accounts with small imprest balances. The exact cash transfer necessary to fund authorized transactions would be transferred from investment accounts to the imprest accounts by an employee independent of the accounting functions.

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- Payroll The Library uses third party system to accomplish payroll activity. We suggest that you work with the service provider to segregate duties involving payroll:
 - Adding/Deleting Employees
 - Changing Pay Rates
 - Authorizing Sick or Vacation Pay

Ideally these functions would be performed by staff not involved in the accounting areas.

• EFT Payments – The Library currently pays a small number of vendors (primarily MERS) through the EFT process. We suggest that these payments be accomplished through an imprest account, and that transfers to fund the EFT should be reviewed, and accomplished by staff not involved in the accounting process.

We appreciate the courtesy extended to us by you during the course of our examination. We would be pleased to provide additional assistance if you desire.

Sincerely

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